

HR 5234

To amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to expand opportunities for algae-based research, and for other purposes.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: Mar 8, 2018

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit. (Mar 28, 2018)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 28, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5373	Related bill	Mar 23, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.

Summary (as of Mar 8, 2018)

This bill amends the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to allow algae to be considered an eligible material under the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP).

(Under BCAP, USDA provides matching payments to assist agricultural and forest land owners and operators with the collection, harvest, storage, and transportation of eligible material for use in a biomass conversion facility. Under current law, algae is excluded from the definition of "eligible material.")

Actions Timeline

- Mar 28, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.
- Mar 8, 2018:** Introduced in House
- Mar 8, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.